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DOVER REAL ESTATE AGENT INDICTED ON TAX CHARGES

Wilmington, DE - Dover-based real estate agent Robin A. Shahan, 50, was charged this afternoon with three misdemeanor counts of willfully failing to file State of Delaware personal income tax returns, concealing more than \$195,000.00 of income during the years 2002, 2003, and 2004, says Patrick T. Carter, Director of the Delaware Division of Revenue.

The Grand Jury for the Superior Court in New Castle County returned the three-count indictment, alleging Shahan intentionally failed to file Delaware personal income tax returns for the years 2002, 2003, and 2004. Shahan failed to file her returns after receiving commissions totaling more than \$195,000.00 in these years from a real estate business that she owned and operated.

Investigators say that Shahan ignored repeated requests from the Division of Revenue to file her state income tax returns. Delaware's Division of Revenue calculates the state's tax loss at more than \$4,000.00 during the three-year period that Shahan failed to file a tax return.

The three misdemeanor tax offenses are each punishable by a maximum one-year imprisonment and \$2,300 in fines. Shahan is currently awaiting arraignment and a trial date in New Castle County Superior Court.

Charges against Shahan stem from an investigation conducted by the Delaware Division of Revenue's Criminal Investigation Unit – a branch of the Division dedicated solely to apprehending criminal tax offenders in Delaware. The investigation included scrutinizing tax records, as well as interviewing third parties and financial institutions. Findings were then referred to the Delaware Attorney General's Office for indictment and prosecution.

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